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GERMANY OFFERS TRENT AND TRIESTE AS BRIBE TO ITALY

KAISER TRYING AUSTRIAN BAIT TO HOOK ITALY

Trent and Trieste to Be Price of Aid or Neutrality.

LONDON IS ANXIOUS

Emperor Francis Joseph's Protests Appear to Be Unavailing.

Canadian Press Despatch.

LONDON, March 12.—Authoritative reports reaching The Hague from Berlin seem to indicate that Germany, with a view to securing Italy's neutrality, has induced Austria, despite vigorous opposition by Emperor Francis Joseph, to agree to make territorial concessions to Italy in the event that Germany and Austria are victorious in the war.

It is understood that altho Emperor Francis Joseph has taken this tentative offer under consideration no definite conclusion has been reached. Italy's decision is awaited with anxious concern in all circles here.

The German imperial chancellor, Dr. Von Bethman-Hollweg, acording to Berlin reports, at present is visiting the German general headquarters at Mesieres, and it is therefore unlikely that he will make a speech before the reichstag committee.

Ready to Cede Trent.

It is said that Germany is trying to induce Austria to cede to Italy both Trent and Trieste. Baron Stephan Von Burian, the Austrian foreign minister, according to report, does not oppose the cession of Trent, but strongly objects to parting with Trieste, while the aged Austrian emperor refuses to consent to the loss of any part of his dominions.

It is reported that Germany desires to have the matter settled now in the fear that should the Dardanelles be forced Italy would be more than ever inclined to throw in her lot with the allies so as to ensure the safety of her interests in the eastern Mediterranean, depending upon her army to recover her lost provinces nearer home.

German emissaries, according to despatches to the British newspapers, also are busy in Bucharest and Sofia endeavoring to point out to Roumania and Bulgaria why these countries should remain neutral.

FRENCH GENERALS BADLY WOUNDED

General Manoury and General de Villaret Hit by Bullets While on Duty.

Canadian Press Despatch.

PARIS, March 13.—(12.15 a.m.)—An official statement issued by the war office says:

"In the course of an inspection of an army first-line trench 30 metres (about 90 feet) away, Gen. Maunoury, commander of one of our armies, and General De Villaret, commander of one of the corps of his army, were wounded by bullets. They were examining the German line thru an embrasure.

"The doctors have not yet given an opinion on the gravity of their wounds."

The French official army list contains the name of Gen. Michael Joseph Maunoury, former military governor of Paris, who was in command of the allies' centre last September, and is reported to have commanded the French in the battle at Soissons in January.

The army list shows two Generals De Villaret—E. G. T. De Villaret and J. M. A. De Villaret.

BIG FRENCH WAR LOAN IS LARGELY SUBSCRIBED

Canadian Press Despatch.

PARIS, March 12.—Deputy Albert Metin, reporting for the budget committee in the chamber of deputies today upon the bill authorizing the government to raise the issue of national defence bonds to 4,500,000,000 francs approximately $900,000,000), announced that the subscriptions in France to these bonds already had reached 3,003,000,000 francs ($600,600,000). This amount added to the foreign subscriptions, Deputy Metin said, made a total of 3,684,000,000 francs ($736,800,000).

ALL CANADIANS NOW ON THE FIRING LINE

All the Men in France Have Been Given Places in the Trenches After Stiff Test of Their Ability—Funeral of Major Higinbotham at Newington Today.

Direct Cable to The Toronto World by John A. MacLaren.

FOLKESTONE, Eng., March 12.—All the Canadians now at the front are fighting in the trenches, according to information received from the base today. They have completed more than two weeks' work with British regiments, which was in the nature of a test of the ability and fighting qualities of the Canadians. Battalions from Toronto and the surrounding counties were under shell fire for one day, their casualties being small.

The artillery brigade of Ottawa is said to have silenced a Germany battery.

The Canadian reinforcements which arrived at Shorncliffe a few days ago were reviewed today by the camp commandant, Brigadier-General McDougall, and made a good showing.

The battalions from Quebec arrived recently, and those left over from the division which is to be sent to the front will be drafted to fill gaps in other regiments.

The funeral of Major Higinbotham of Toronto, who died at Shorncliffe Hospital after an operation, will be held on Saturday at Newington, near Folkestone, with full military honors. The firing party will be composed of men from the 23rd Battalion of Quebec, under Col. Christie.

CANADIAN CASUALTIES

Canadian Press Despatch.

OTTAWA, March 12.—The following casualties among members of the Canadian expedition force were announced tonight:

FIRST BATTALION.
Slightly Wounded.

Pte. Frederick Pitt, admitted to No. 14 General Hospital, Boulogne, gunshot wound in shoulder. Next of kin, Mrs. F. Pitt, No. 141 Adelaide street, South Chatham, Ont.

THIRD BATTALION.
Severely Wounded.

Pte. Russell Calvin Bacon, admitted to No. 14 General Hospital, Boulogne, gunshot wound in brain. Next of kin, Mrs. E. Bacon, care of J. T. Steele, Box 274, Aurora, Ont.

DIVISIONAL TRAIN, C.A.S.C.
Wounded.

Corp. R. Frank, admitted to No. 3 General Hospital, Treport, gunshot wound in arm. Next of kin, Mrs. J. Frnak, No. 3 Esplanade, Whitby, Yorks. Eng.

Pte. R. C. Bacon, one of two brothers both of whom are at the front, was attached to the postal department. He was born at Steele's Corners on Yonge street, about ten miles north of Toronto. His father also went with the first contingent, but has not been sent forward and is still in England.

The family lived in Toronto until the father and two sons went to the front, when Mrs. Bacon returned to Aurora, and is living with her father, J. C. Steele. Young Bacon, who is 21 years old, was a great favorite in Aurora, where he is well known.

TO SAY GOOD DEAL TO DO VERY LITTLE

London Paper Thus Forecasts U.S. Action on Sinking of Frye.

NO REPLY TO U.S. NOTE

Britain to Answer Inquiry by Publication of Orders in Council.

Special Cable to The Toronto World.

LONDON, March 12.—America's recent note of enquiry to France and England concerning the meaning of the proposed "blockade" was received here nearly a week ago. It is in the nature of an enquiry as to the precise meaning of the action which Premier Asquith announced March 2. The U. S. State Department seeks light and an explanation of it. It asks in effect if this is a blockade, just what areas are being blockaded? It cannot be learned whether America entered into an argument against the allies' action on the basis of previous international law, but it is suspected that the note set forth American's view concerning her traditional freedom of the seas. It is stated that the note is one of enquiry rather than one of protest, altho it is indicated that a protest is likely to follow if the allies do not adhere to international law.

For instance, there is a specified enquiry concerning just how far the proposed stoppage of commerce with Germany extends and whether American ships or cargoes leaving American ports can be immediately seized after getting to sea and taken, for instance, to Halifax.

Drastic Order-in-Council.

An order-in-council was issued today extending the absolute contraband lists to include certain articles, some of them important to the enemy armies, which never before have been regarded as absolute contraband. Another order-in-council defining and explaining Mr. Asquith's pronouncement, is expected soon, probably tomorrow. It is understood to be already signed by the King. England's response to the American proposals of some time ago, which were recently answered by Germany, will probably be made after the order-in-council has been issued. The order will in a measure be an answer. England will take, on the whole, an unfavorable attitude toward the proposals, as has before been explained.

AMERICAN SLAIN FLAG INSULTED

McManus Murdered in Mexico City by Troops of Zapata.

ONE MORE "PROTEST"

Bryan Insists on Punishment of Assassins — Victim Feared Vengeance.

Canadian Press Despatch.

WASHINGTON, March 12.—Encouraging advices telling of the relief of the food famine in Mexico City thru the evacuation of the capital by the forces of Gen. Obregon, the Carranza commander, were beclouded today by the news that on the entry of the Zapata troops, John B. McManus, an American citizen, was murdered—shot down in his home, the door of which had been sealed with the coat-of-arms of the United States, and over which flew the Stars and Stripes.

Instant demand was made by the Brazilian minister on behalf of the United States Government for the punishment of those guilty. Secretary Bryan today telegraphed a demand for reparation. The minister was instructed to insist on the early punishment of the offenders.

McManus killed two Zapata soldiers when they tried to loot his home prior to their last withdrawal, fearing violence on their return.

McManus induced the Brazilian minister to seal his door with the coat-of-arms of the United States and hoisted an American flag over his home.

BOWSER AND McBRIDE NOT AT LOGGERHEADS

British Columbia Attorney-General Says Reports Are Baseless.

Canadian Press Despatch.

VANCOUVER, March 12.—Hon. W. J Bowser was here today and issued a denial of the story that he and Premier McBride had a personal quarrel. He pointed to the fact that within the last two days the premier had appointed him acting minister of finance and agriculture until a permanent successor to Hon. Price Ellison had been appointed.

RUSSIANS HOLD UP BIG ADVANCE IN N. POLAND

Austrians Suffer Severe Check in Passes of Carpathian Mountains.

DETACHMENTS CUT UP

Four Thousand Prisoners Taken by Czar's Armies at Lupkow Pass.

Special Cable to The Toronto World.

PETROGRAD, March 12.—The checking of the German advance of half a million men on the fronts of Omoulev and Orzhyd and towards Przasnysz and the administering of severe beatings to the Austrians in the regions of the Gorlice and Lupkow passes in the Carpathians were the features of today's fighting in Poland and Galicia as reported by the Russian war office here.

Fighting is excessively severe in North Poland and the Germans still hold Simno and Augustowo, have assumed the offensive in the Seiny region, and have concentrated a heavy force of artillery on the right bank of the Narew River where the firing of hebig guns has become intense.

South of the Gorlice Pass the Russians cut off parties of Austrians who had crossed the Senkouka River and attempted to fortify themselves on its left bank. Russian scouts surrounded three Austrian detachments which advanced in as many places and they all surrendered. The Russians then delivered a flank attack on the place where the chief operations of the enemy were being carried on, and achieved a great success.

Took Many Prisoners.

In the Lupkow Pass the Russians made considerable headway by capturing the villages of Lupkow and Smolnik. They surrounded the neighboring heights and captured two Austrian heavy howitzers, two field guns, seven maxims, and several Austrian field hospitals with their staffs. They also captured 4000 prisoners, including 70 officers.

A combat between three squadrons of Prussian Hussars and a party of Cossacks at Niezwiska on the Dniester River, east Galicia, ended disastrously for the Prussians. Ten of their officers and 25 of their troopers were captured and the rest were killed or scattered in headlong flight.

Battle May Last Days.

Canadian Press Despatch.

LONDON, March 12.—At present the Germans are occupied in an attempt to crush the Russians. For this purpose they are reported to have an army estimated at nearly 500,000 men marching along the roads towards Przasnysz. To prevent this army from being further strengthened the British are thrusting at the eGrman line north of LaBassee.

The battle taking place on the eastern front, experts say, is the biggest pitched battle of the war. The Germans in their official report claim that they have made some advance while Petrograd considers it probable that the Russians will have to fall back beyond Przasnysz, as they did last month, before making their stand. It will probably be days before a definite result is attained in this battle, as with the frozen roads the Russians can push forward reinforcements and choose their battleground.

Meanwhile another German army has appearde on the Pilica River front, south of the Vistula, probably, military observers say, with the idea of inducing Grand Duke Nicholas to withdraw men from the north, where the real blow is being struck.

Further south, along the foothills of the Carpathians, fighting between the Austrians and Russians continues amid wintry weather conditions. Strangely enough, each side claims that the other is doing the attacking, but it is believed here that, as the Austrians initiated this battle, they probably are still the aggressors.

FRANCE CALLS RECRUITS OF NEXT YEAR'S CLASS

Canadian Press Despatch.

PARIS, March 12.—12.50 p.m.—The chamber of deputies today passed a bill calling out the 1916 class of recruits. There recruits will not be sent to the front, however, until after the men of the older classes are utilized.

A despatch from Paris, March 5, said the instruction of the class of 1915 recruits had progressed sufficiently for them to go into the active army and that M. Millerand, minister of war, had introduced a bill in the chamber which would give him the authorization to send them to the battle line at his discretion.

AUXILIARY CRUISER BAYANO TORPEDOED

British Vessel Engaged in Patrol Duty Sunk By Germans Off Scottish Coast With a Loss of 200 Men—German Submarine Lost in North Sea.

Canadian Press Despatch.

LONDON, March 13.—12.45 a.m.—The admiralty announces the loss of the auxiliary cruiser Bayano, while the vessel was engaged in patrol duty.

In its statement of the disaster, the admiralty says:

"On the 11th of March, wreckage of the Bayano and bodies were discovered and circumstances point to her having been sunk by an enemy torpedo.

"Eight officers and eighteen men were rescued, but it is feared that the remainder of the crew were lost.

"The captain of the Belfast steamer Castlereagh reports passing Thursday morning, a quantity of wreckage and dead bodies floating in lifebelts. He attempted to search for possible survivors, but was prevented by the appearance of an enemy submarine, which gave chase for twenty minutes."

The Bayano was a comparatively new steamer. She was built at Glasgow in 1913, and was owned by Elder and Fyffes, before she was taken over by the British Government and fitted out as an auxiliary cruiser. The Bayano was of 8500 tons displacement and 416 feet long.

Sank Almost Immediately.

The Belfast correspondent of The Daily Telegraph says the Bayano was torpedoed Thursday morning, at 9 o'clock, off Corsewall Point, Wigtonshire, Scotland, and that nearly 200 lives were lost, as the cruiser sank almost immediately. The vessel had a crew of about 216 men on board. Wigtonshire in the southwesternmost country in Scotland. It lies on the north channel which leads into the Irish Sea from the Atlantic.

German Submarine Sunk.

The owners of the trawler Chastise reported to the admiralty today that a German submarine became entangled in the trawler's ropes in the North Sea and sank in 20 minutes will all on board.

Steamers continue to announce the sighting of German submarines around the coast of England.

Danish Vessel Seized.

The steamer Bryzzel, of Copenhagen, bound from Philadelphia to Stockholm, with oil, was stopped in the Baltic by a German cruiser, yesterday, and taken to Swinemunde, according to Reuter's Copenhagen correspondent. The Bryzzel arrived at Kirkwall, March 1, and voluntarily submitted to an examination by the British authorities, who let her pass. She also stopped at Elsinore, Denmark, where she received declarations from the consignees, certified by the Swedish authorities, that the oil was destined for use only in Sweden.

POLAND'S LOSSES SPELL A TRAGEDY

Four Hundred Thousand Men Have Been Lost Since War Began.

A THOUSAND VILLAGES

Razed to Ground, Causing Loss of Six Hundred Million.

Special Cable to The Toronto World.

LONDON, March 13.—Concurrently with Petrograd's announcement that an important decree relating to the autonomy of Poland is shortly to be issued, The London Chronicle says that the war has spelled greater tragedy for Poland than even stricken Belgium. The Chronicle's summary of Poland's losses says that the war has cost that unhappy country 400,000 men, six hundred million dollars in property damage and the razing to the ground of five thousand villages.

KRONPRINZ WILHELM SANK FRENCH VESSEL

Guadeloupe's Crew and Passengers Landed by British Steamer.

Canadian Press Despatch.

BUENOS AYRES, March 12.—The Dairio announces that the British steamer Churchill arrived today at Pernambuco with the crew and 145 passengers of the French steamer Guadeloupe. The Guadeloupe was sunk near the island of Fernando de Noronha, in the South Atlantic, 125 miles off the east extremity of Brazil, to which country it belongs, by the German auxiliary cruiser Kronprinz Wilhelm. The Gaudeloupe sailed from Buenos Ayres Feb. 13 for Bordeaux.

The steamer Gaudeloupe was a vessel of 2974 tons and was built in 1907. She was owned by the French line. She was commanded by Captain Jasseau.

TRADE OF CANADA TO EXCEED BILLION

Exports of Manufactured Goods Nearly Doubled in February.

DECLINE IN IMPORTS

Adverse Trade Balance is Being Rapidly Wiped Out.

By a Staff Reporter.

OTTAWA, March 12.—Despite the upheaval in the commercial and financial world brought about by the war, Canada's trade will well exceed the billion mark.

Trade figures for the eleven months of the fiscal year issued by Hon. Dr. Reid, minister of customs, tonight, show that the total trade volume up to the end of February was $967,632,242.

One of the most significant features of the statement is the enormous increase in the export of manufactured articles.

Boom in Exports.

Manufactured exports for the month totaled $8,982,689, as against $4,674,709 for the same month last year, while for the eleven months there is an increase of no less than $69,938,711 in all other articles of export.

There is a marked decrease shown in the balance of trade against Canada. A year ago the balance of trade against the Dominion was $160,000,000. For the same period this year it is only $50,000,000.

DIED OF MENINGITIS.

The first case of tubercular meningitis to be reported in Toronto for some years proved fatal to ten-year-old Dorothy Saunderson, 39 Ashbury avenue, last night in the Hospital for Sick Children. She had been in the hospital since early in February.

Dardanus Batteries Gone Hamidieh Badly Damaged

Town of Chanakalessi Was Partly Destroyed by Allied Fleet—Only Two Mine Fields Remain Intact.

Special Cable to The Toronto World.

ATHENS, March 12.—It is reported from Tenedos that the batteries at Dardanus have been entirely destroyed, and that Fort Hamidieh has been badly damaged. Yesterday the allied fleet directed a well-sustained fire from a distance of 18,000 yards against Chanakalessi. The town was damaged and the inhabitants took refuge in several of the villages along the Asiatic shore. Fort Chimikli alone continues to hold out. Dragging for mines continues, and only two mine fields remain intact.

BRITISH KEEP UP FORWARD MOVE AGAINST ENEMY

Advance From Neuve Chapelle to Outskirts of Pietre Hamlet.

GERMAN LINES TAKEN

Epinette Village, East of Armentieres, on Way to Lille, Occupied.

Special Cable to The Toronto World.

PARIS, March 12.—Following up their success in capturing the Town of Neuve Chapelle, the British, Indian and First Army Corps, operating in northern France, and holding the extreme south of the British line, where it links up with the Frence forces, advanced towards the Hamlet of Pietre today, driving the Germans out of the part of their lines situated between this hamlet and the Pietre Mill. Four hundred prisoners, including five officers, were included in this successful operation. Further north, the British lines have been advanced to Epinette village, nearly two miles east of Armentieres, which they held all winter, and nine miles northwest of Lille. East of Lambaertzyde, in Belgium, a German fort about 110 yards in front of the allied trenches has been captured.

Several of the German trenches in front of the ridge, northwest of Mesnil, have been occupied by the French, and their occupants taken prisoners. This region is still marked by French advances and the Tahure road has been cleared of German trenches north of Souain and parallel to the Mesnil ridge.

An advance of about 600 feet was recorded at the Reich Ackerkopf, in the Vosges, by the French war office, after several attacks of the enemy were repulsed.

The French regained from the Germans, part of a trench, in which the enemy had gained a footing the preceding night.

Two divisions of the Belgian army yesterday advanced over a quarter of a mile, in the direction of Schoorbakke.

TO RELIEVE RUSSIANS

Canadian Press Despatch.

LONDON, March 12.—10.50 p.m.—Just as the French attacked the Germans in the western campaign, when Field Marshal Von Hindenburg made his big rush from East Prussia, last month, so the British army operating in Flanders has undertaken the task of relieving the pressure on its Russian ally, now that the Russians are being attacked in north Poland. This is part of the general plan of the allied generals. When one is atacked, the other attacks, so as to compel the Germans and Austrians to keep strong forces at every point and to prevent them from sending new troops where they could do the most good.

FOREIGN SHIPS MUST NOT FLY DUTCH FLAG

Otherwise They'll Be Barred From Ports and Territorial Waters.

Canadian Press Despatch.

LONDON, March 12.—10 p.m.—A Reuter despatch from Amsterdam, says the official gazette published a notification that foreign ships in Netherlands' ports, hoisting the Dutch flag, or having painted anywhere on them distinctive marks indicative of Dutch nationality, will be prevented from leaving Dutch ports or passing thru Dutch territorial waters.

HERE IT IS!

Take a good look at the illustration, for it is the Derby that will be worn by the smart men this season. If you want to buy one in the best quality made you had better get along to Dineen's, 140 Yonge street, some time today. There you'll also find all the new shapes and colors amply represented. For instance, there are hats by such famous makers as Dunlap, Stetson, Henry Heath, Christy, Hillgate and Borsalino. This is the big hat day at Dineen's and store is open till 10.